





PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q63075

Kazunobu FUJIKAWA, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1725

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Examiner: Maria Alexandra ELVE

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SURFACE DISCHARGE PROCESSING, AND AN

ELECTRODE FOR SURFACE DISCHARGE PROCESSING

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months (minus one month previously paid on June 13, 2003), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of February 13, 2003 to July 14, 2003 (July 13, 2003 falling on a Sunday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$300.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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